

HAY OPENLY FIGHTS BIG ARMY INCREASE

House Chairman Would Double
Field Artillery Force and
Pay Guardsmen.

FOR A CITIZEN SOLDIER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—In declaring today that the question of national defense will be one of the most important subjects to be considered by the next Congress, Representative James Hay of Virginia, chairman of the Committee on Military Affairs, who has been quoted recently as being opposed to a material increase in the army and navy, suggested that the field artillery force should be doubled and that every national guardsman should be paid \$50 a year from the Treasury.

Chairman Hay consented to be interviewed by a representative of the National Security League. He said that he had been hesitating about making a statement because Secretary Garrison's plans have not been definitely announced and because the personnel of the new Committee on Military Affairs will not be known until after Congress meets.

The chairman declared that there were many conflicting opinions in regard to national defense and that the next House would have 140 new members whose views on preparedness are not generally known.

Chairman Hay has very definite opinions on national defense. He does not believe that Congress will look with favor on legislation for compulsory military service. He says there is a limit to the size of the regular army owing to the difficulty of getting recruits. He cites the opinions of army officers, experienced in recruiting, that 140,000 is the highest possible figure that can be attained by enlistments, and he refers to the fact that the National Guard is a nation which falls within the jurisdiction of the Fortifications Committee. Among other things Mr. Hay said:

"Our present standing army is allowed a strength of 100,000 men. About 21,000 are actually enlisted. The army now costs \$120,000,000 a year. The full strength of an army of 120,000, in addition to the National Guard, would cost \$140,000,000. If we had 140,000 men, which is said to be as many as can be enlisted owing to the demands of industrial service, we would have \$140,000,000.

"If we had an army of 500,000 men, which some people advocate, it would cost \$700,000,000. I do not believe that the people would expect Congress to impose it upon them. Neither do I believe that the American people want compulsory military service.

"I heartily agree with the President that our citizen soldiery should be given more attention. It might be proper, for instance, to encourage the National Guard by paying its members 25 per cent. of the amount paid to regular soldiers, which would be \$10 a year and which would probably cost us \$5,000,000 additional to the present army cost for the first year.

"It may be wise also to increase the field artillery, now consisting of six regiments, to twice that number, as the war in Europe has demonstrated that that is the most potent arm of the service.

"I do not care to go further into details at this time. I feel that the question of national defense is one of the most important subjects to be considered by the next Congress, and I will be subject to the views of the President, the members of my committee and the members of Congress who after all have the principal part to play in the solution of the question."

Mr. Hay's statement indicates that the advocates of adequate preparedness will probably get an increase of \$500,000 to the regular army, which is the figure named in a letter recently by Senator Chamberlain of Oregon, chairman of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs.

HUNT FOR MISSING GIRL

Police in Search to Dig Up Cement Floor in Mount Vernon House.

YONKERS, N. Y., Sept. 20.—Chief of Police Wolff expressed hope tonight that a trace would be found of Theresa Engel, 18 years old, who disappeared two weeks ago. He is cooperating with Chief Poley of Mount Vernon and it is hoped to make a search of a house in Mount Vernon, particularly of a portion of the floor of the basement where, it is said, a new cement floor was hurriedly laid two weeks ago.

There is no expectation that the body of the young girl, the daughter of John W. Engel, proprietor of a steam laundry here, will be found beneath the hardened cement.

Miss Engel, a recent high school graduate, is known to have gone to Mount Vernon two weeks ago accompanied by another young woman. The next day she was seen there and it was reported that she had been there for some time.

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U. S. NAVY'S FIRST WAR BALLOON READY SOON

Dirigible, One of a Fleet Coming, Has Improvements Noted in the War.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—The first of the new fleet of dirigible balloons is now practically completed and will be ready for delivery within a few weeks. The Connecticut Aircraft Company, which has the contract for building this dirigible, notified the office of aeronautics of the Navy Department today that the balloon is about finished and will be ready for the official trials within the time specified.

The various parts will be assembled in Boston, after which the machine will be disassembled, packed and shipped to the navy aeronautics station at Pensacola, Fla., where the trials are to take place. The navy is now building a floating hangar and a hydrogen plant at Pensacola for the accommodation of its dirigibles.

This first of the navy's war balloons, while it is a comparatively small one, being about 150 feet long, will embody the improvements which American naval officers have noted during their observations with the armies of Europe. It will be equipped with a 140-horsepower engine and twin propellers of the swivel type.

For military reasons some of the improved features of the machine are kept secret. It is understood that the Administration's programme for the national defense, to be submitted to Congress this winter, will call for a large fleet of dirigibles and aeroplanes.

DANIELS AWAITS FORD

To Talk on Gasoline Engines and Maybe on Submarines.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Henry Ford is expected to arrive in Washington on Wednesday and call at the Navy Department in response to Mr. Daniels' invitation. Mr. Daniels desires to discuss the subject of gasoline engines with Mr. Ford.

Mr. Daniels said today that beyond what he had seen in newspapers he was not informed about Mr. Ford's plans for building a large number of submarines as the means of settling the question of the preparedness of the United States for national defense. Mr. Ford may explain his ideas to the Secretary.

HENRY WOOD HAS PLAN FOR NAVY LABORATORY

Will Submit It to Daniels at
Once—Mechanism Chief
Problem.

Henry A. Wood, one of the members of the Naval Advisory Board, is in hearty agreement with Secretary of the Navy Daniels that the first work which should be undertaken by the newly created body is the establishment of an adequate laboratory for research and experiment.

As told in a despatch from Washington, published in THE SUN yesterday, Mr. Daniels has sent letters to each member of the board asking for his ideas as to the kind of experiments the laboratory the navy should have. He is desirous of obtaining estimates as to the necessary cost of building and equipping so that he may make a recommendation to Congress.

"I have thought out a plan for a laboratory, but I should consider it imprudent to make it public before I have submitted it to the Secretary of the Navy," said Mr. Wood yesterday. "I believe the members of the Naval Advisory Board will agree that the laboratory is absolutely essential if our work is to be more than academic."

"These members are practical men who purpose to apply their best thought to the development of naval mechanism. If the same quality of thought and the same amount of time are given to this subject as are given to industrial problems we should soon achieve a navy second to none in effectiveness."

"But in order to work out the ideas which will be suggested by members of this board or officials of the navy there must be machinery. As men engaged in inventive work we have learned the desirability of thorough experimentation before we turn our machinery over to our customers. It is quite as essential that all the ideas suggested for naval mechanism should be submitted to the same practical test."

"A sufficiently equipped laboratory may involve a considerable expenditure in the beginning, but it will save money to the government in the end. I am unwilling to suggest any estimate of the probable cost. The cost and the size of the laboratory will be governed by the suggestions regarding mechanism offered at the meeting of the board on October 6."

"In my judgment, the laboratory should be located in Washington by all means. It should be entirely under the control of the Navy Department, but the ideas which civilians may offer for consideration should always be welcomed."

Most of the New York members of the Naval Advisory Board were of the city yesterday. Dr. Peter Cooper Hewitt suggested that the subject of a laboratory sufficient thought to warrant an expression of opinion.

A jury in the Queens County Supreme Court refused yesterday morning to award damages to Dominick Gambino for the death of his son, Charles, on the Long Beach, L. I., crossing of the Long Island Railroad, August 3, 1914. Charles Gambino lost his life in the collision of S. Osmond Pells automobile and an electric train, in which Mr. Pell and William Lambrecht also were killed. Justice Manning denied a motion to set aside the verdict.

A report during the Gambino trial that the two suits against the railroad by Mrs. Nathalie Schenck Lambrecht, who sued for \$250,000 for her own injuries and \$250,000 for the death of her husband, had been settled out of court for \$50,000, was denied yesterday by Attorney M. J. Kenney, representing the railroad. He said that \$25,000 obtained by Mrs. Pell, who sued for \$250,000 damages for the death of her husband, has been appended and will be argued before the Appellate Division in Brooklyn next Tuesday.

PADDLE 6 MILES IN OLD MINE.

Bandits Who Held Up Conductors Escape by Underground Shafts.

WERE CITY, Mo., Sept. 20.—Two bandits who had held up three street car conductors here today ran into an abandoned mine, paddled six miles on a raft through underground shafts, climbed to the surface and escaped.

The men, both masked, held up the conductors near the car barns and got \$200. Bloodhounds were put on the trail, which led to the mouth of an abandoned mine, which had been flooded when a river levee broke.

The police discovered that the men had conducted a raft.

MEXICAN FACTIONS TRY HARD FOR RECOGNITION

Villa Sends Mission to Washington to Plead His Cause—Gen. Obregon Now Mentioned for Provisional Presidency.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Advisers received in Washington indicate that each of the Mexican factions is making desperate efforts to gain a position that may win recognition by the United States and the other American Powers when the Pan-American conference assembles in Washington in October.

The factions have been stirred to renewed activity by the announcement made by the conference in New York on Saturday to the effect that the time has arrived for the "recognition of a provisional government with material and moral capacity necessary to protect the lives and property of nationals and foreigners" in Mexico.

It was pointed out in official quarters here today that the Pan-American conference has not committed itself to any particular faction in Mexico. This has occasioned reports that the seven Powers may yet succeed in compromising on some leader other than Carranza. In this connection it has been suggested that Gen. Obregon might be chosen as the leader to whom the American Powers should look for the establishment of a provisional government to which the United States and the other countries involved might extend recognition.

Carranzistas in Washington are confident that the government of the First Chief will soon be recognized by the seven countries. The Carranza agent here tonight announced that on the strength of the statement made public by the Pan-American diplomats in New York on Saturday, Carranza's money had advanced in value at Vera Cruz. He also announced that a group of fifty professors, "members of the corps of education," had been sent to the United States to start for the United States to make a study of American public school organization.

The Villistas in Washington make no concealment of their displeasure over the recent turn in Mexican affairs. They declare that Villa will soon demonstrate by achievements in the field that his faction is entitled to consideration at the hands of the United States and the other members of the Pan-American conference.

Villa has already taken steps to present his case in convincing fashion to this government. Word was received here today that Villa has ordered Gen. Garza to come to Washington on a special mission. Garza was provisional President of Mexico for a short time following the occupation of the capital by Villistas and Zapataistas. Garza will be joined in Washington by Miguel Alemán, Carranza's Secretary of State, and by Gen. Angeles, Villa's principal military adviser.

A statement made public by the Villa agent indicated that Gen. Villistas is pleased over the action of the United States in warning Americans to leave northern Mexico and withdrawing American Consuls from that region.

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TALK OF U. S. TERMS.

Mexico City Hears of Offer by Carranza for Recognition.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.—Mexico City, Sept. 20.—It was declared here tonight that the United States has proposed to Carranza that he should come to the United States and be recognized as the provisional President of Mexico.

In return for this, it is said, the United States will recognize the First Chief. The newspaper reports of Carranza's probable recognition sent up the value of Carranza money today.

Travelers' reports from Toluca, Mexico, said that the Carranzistas are preparing to move their seat of government from that city to Zacapa, in the State of Chiapas, to keep in touch with Villa.

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The food situation here is much better, with prices falling. The price of corn was reduced from 2 1/2 pesos to 1 1/2 pesos per kilo last week.

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VILLA HEADING NORTH.
His Troop Trains Are Between Chihuahua City and Juarez.

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Thirteen troop trains were passed on the siding between Chihuahua city and Juarez bound north. Villa's own special car was seen derailed at Tlalpacola, just north of Chihuahua city, with Villa himself swearing in a rage at the outpouring of Americans and other foreigners from the Mexican States under his control.

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BRADLEY MAY BE SHORT \$100,000

Merchants' National Officials Admit Missing Teller's Books Are Wrong.

\$130,000 BOND TO BANK

Henry B. Bradley, the mail teller of the Merchants National Bank, at 42 Wall street, was due back from his vacation yesterday, but he failed to return. For the first time since his disappearance in Stamford, Conn., last Thursday the officials of the bank admitted that there were irregularities in his books; also that he had been accused of having handled millions of dollars in a way that made peacocks possible. "Hundreds of millions" was the way it was put.

From Hartford last night word came from Donald M. Gage, secretary of the Etina Accident and Liability Company, that an adjuster for his company had reported that there was a shortage on Bradley's books of at least \$100,000, and that the amount might be even higher, as there were many out of town banks and clearing houses to be heard from. The adjuster who made this report was N. J. McKinley.

Mr. Gage announced that the detectives who were hunting for Bradley on Saturday and Sunday had been called off because it was found that there was a bond in addition to the Etina company's \$100,000, which insured the Merchants National Bank against loss of everything up to \$130,000, and that this was a blank check policy from Lloyd's London. Mr. Gage disclosed some irregularities in the bank's books, which seemed to him to be a very serious matter.

It is reported that Bradley was seen in New Haven on Saturday night and was recognized by an acquaintance.

The bank officials would not explain how the discovery of the alleged irregularities in the bank's books was made, but that while he was on his vacation a letter was received advising the bank to inspect his accounts.

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CROWD SILENT AS SUFFRAGIST PLEADS

Finally Miss Willis Learns Her Yiddish Audience Can't Understand a Word.

EAST SIDE STREET DANCE

Suffragists took possession of Third street, between Avenue A and 42, last night and dances, interspersed with lectures, were kept up until after midnight. There was some confusion when the automobiles, bright with bunting and carrying enthusiastic suffragists, made their way through the swarms of children who crowded the street. A few women had hung long "Votes for Women" streamers from the windows and they waited expectantly while the movie machine was unloaded and the street was roped off.

Policemen kept business wagons from encroaching on suffrage grounds and the drivers of such vehicles got out and turkey and fox trotted to the music of the band.

Miss Portia Willis was telling of the benefits of equal suffrage when the stillness of the crowd began to get on her nerves.

"What is the matter," she asked of a policeman, "have I said anything wrong?"

The policeman grinned. "It don't make much difference what you say, ma'am," he vouchsafed. "They don't understand anything, these people; they can't speak English."

The crowd was raked frantically for an interpreter, but among the very small number of men those who were eligible hung shyly back. Then, taking a chair and to the music of a "Chin-Chin" Miss Willis walked alone around the immense circle, waiting for others to join. Nobody did and the suffragists were forced to corner a few reluctant young men and lead them into the limelight. Once the ice was broken the dancing became fast and furious.

The crowd was remarkable for the very few men it contained. Occasionally a man would appear on the outskirts and look on, but the street was alive with women and children.

When asked whether he thought the results would be worth the efforts expended, a policeman said: "Yes, ma'am, I shouldn't wonder the suffragists got as many as ten votes out of this whole district."

FAT WOMEN PARADE PROBLEM

Suffragists May Offer Carriages to Members Who Are Stout.

What to do with the fat women in the suffrage parade is a question now being solved. It was suggested yesterday that women weighing more than 150 pounds be offered the comfort of seats in vehicles.

"It will be safe enough to make the offer," said one suffrage leader. "The women weighing more than 150 pounds will be asked to admit it, so they will all walk."

The parade promises to be the biggest affair the suffragists have undertaken. New York City has never before seen so many women in uniform and in industry has responded. Many of the women storekeepers have agreed to decorate their shop windows.

Mrs. Norman De R. Whitehouse is chairman of the parade committee. Associated with her are Mrs. John Alexander, Mrs. John Blair, Mrs. Marie Jenney, Mrs. Howard Mansfield, and Miss Elmer Byrnes. The parade committee has agreed to take part and will march in the police colors, blue and gold.

HAYTI TAKES UP U. S. TREATY.
Committee of Congress Expected to Favor Measure.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Rear Admiral Caperton, commanding the American forces in Hayti, advised the Navy Department today that the Haytian Congress is still in session and that the treaty with the United States, signed last week, was referred today to a committee for consideration. Early ratification of the treaty is confidently expected by officials here. The treaty provides for a strong protection over the Haytian coast and the Haytian navy to exercise a large measure of control over its finances and assume responsibility for its police.

Admiral Caperton reported also that in a skirmish between a detachment of marines and natives near Gonaves yesterday one Haytian was wounded. Earlier unofficial reports had stated that sixteen Haytians were killed and two Americans wounded.

ON BRADLEY TRAIL?
Stamford Police Chief Expects Teller to Be Found Soon.

STAMFORD, Conn., Sept. 20.—Although Henry B. Bradley, the missing mail teller of the Merchants National Bank, New York, had not been found tonight, Chief of Police H. H. Bradley said in a touch today with detectives engaged in the search, said that traces of the young man had been picked up and he intimated that Bradley might be found in a day or two.

At the home of Bradley's mother it was said tonight that no news of her son had been received.

RETIRED MERCHANT A SUICIDE.
Body of Missing Hugh A. Riley Found With Throat Cut.

The mystery in the disappearance of Hugh A. Riley, a retired hardware merchant, last Thursday was solved yesterday afternoon when Detective Schuchering found his body in a clump of bushes at Halley avenue and West Kingsbridge road, The Bronx, two blocks from Riley's home. His throat was cut and Riley clutched a razor in his hand. The body was found in a room which had not been disturbed. Coroner Healy said the case was clearly one of suicide.

Riley, who was 52 years old, was in good health and his family and friends are united in the belief that he was sane at the time of his death. He was a native of Ireland and had been in the United States for many years. He was a member of the firm of Gaston, Williams & Wignone, which is engaged in making country suits for men in the making.

Last Thursday while travelling in his automobile from Perth Amboy to South Amboy on a business trip his chauffeur ran the car into a telegraph pole to avoid hitting two children. Mr. Williams was thrown against the pole and was picked up unconscious with a big cash in his hand. After being attended at a hospital he was taken to the St. Regis Hotel. Yesterday, as his partners are in Europe, Mr. Williams was obliged to go to the office despite his injuries.

Mr. Williams is president of the First Mortgage Investment Company of Queens and was the first president of the Queens Chamber of Commerce.

INJURED TO SAVE CHILDREN.
William H. Williams Recovers From Auto Accident.

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EDISON SHOWS A NEW ELECTRIC VEHICLE

Delivery Wagon That He Says Is the Doom of the Tradesman's Nag.

ORANGE, N. J., Sept. 20.—A new electric delivery wagon, operated by a storage battery, was demonstrated today at the Edison works. Mr. Edison says it will supplant horse vehicles in the delivery service. Fifty engineers, of electric plants and other persons interested in new and cheap delivery vehicles were present. Charles A. Ward of New York is the secretary